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§ 307.11 Report changes.

The Administrator, through MARAD advisory or special warning, may direct changes in reporting frequency and specify particular information to be included in the comments section of AMVER messages.

§ 307.13 Where to report.

To ensure that no charge is applied, all AMVER reports must be passed through specified radio stations. Those stations which currently accept AMVER reports and apply no coastal station, ship station, or landline charge are listed in each issue of the "AMVER Bulletin" publication, together with respective International Radio Call Sign, location, frequency bands, and hours of operation. The "AMVER Bulletin" is available from AMVER Maritime Relations Office, U.S. Coast Guard, Battery Park Building, New York, NY 10004. Although AMVER reports may be sent through other stations, the Coast Guard cannot reimburse the sender for any charges applied.

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§ 307.15 Release of information from reports.

(a) The information collected under these instructions will be released to recognized search-and-rescue authorities, to make advance notice to the U.S. Coast Guard of arrival in U.S. ports as required by certain sections of 33 CFR. The information collected will also be forwarded to the MARAD.

(b) AMVER reports will remain voluntary for foreign ships unless other-

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wise directed by their governments, and will be kept strictly confidential by the U.S. Coast Guard. Information collected from such foreign ships will not be forwarded to MARAD.

(c) any information provided in the remarks line will be stored in AMVER's automatic data processing system for later review. However, no immediate action will be taken, nor will the information be routinely passed to other organizations. The remarks line cannot be used as a substitute for sending information to other search-and-rescue authorities or organizations. However, AMVER will, at the request of other SAR authorities, forward remarks line information to the requesting agencies.

§ 307.17 Distress messages and hostile action reports.

(a) AMVER reports shall not replace distress messages and hostile action reports prescribed by Chapter 5, Defense Mapping Agency (DMA) Publication 117.

(b) Vessel owners or operators subject to this part shall summarize distress messages or hostile action reports in the comments sections of AMVER reports.

§ 307.19 Penalties.

The owner or operator of a vessel in the waterborne foreign commerce of the United States is subject to a penalty of \$50 for each day of failure to file an AMVER report required by this part. Such penalty shall constitute a lien upon the vessel, and such vessel may be libeled in the district court of the United States in which the vessel may be found.